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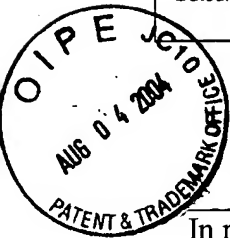
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
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Art Unit: 3737

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Examiner: R. Jain

For: CW BEAM FORMER IN AN ASIC

**DECLARATION OF BLAKE W. LITTLE TRAVERSING GROUNDS OF  
REJECTION BY SHOWING ATTRIBUTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132**

I, Blake W. Little, being of legal age and capacity, upon personal knowledge, declare as follows:

1. My name is Blake W. Little;
2. I am one of the inventors of the inventions disclosed in United States patent application serial number 10/656,901 entitled "CW Beam Former In An ASIC" (the '901 application) and am personally knowledgeable as to the integrated circuits described and claimed therein;
3. I am also one of the inventors of the inventions disclosed in United States patent application publication number 2003/0009102 entitled "Medical Diagnostic Ultrasound Instrument With ECG Module, Authorization Mechanism And Methods Of Use" (the '102 application);
4. I have worked for Sonosite, Inc. (hereinafter Sonosite), the assignee of both the '901 and '102 applications, for approximately six years and have worked with each of the inventors identified with respect to the '901 and '102 applications in the development of the inventions disclosed and claimed therein;
5. I have reviewed Examiner Jain's rejection of the claims in the '901 application as set forth in the Office Action mailed May 4, 2004, and have reviewed the Abstract, paragraph 0017, and paragraph 0052 of the '102 application, identified by Examiner Jain as anticipating claims 1 and 2 of the '901 application;
6. To the extent the inventions set forth in claims 1 and 2 of the '901 application are disclosed in the '102 application, that disclosure was derived solely from Hung Nguyen and myself and is not the disclosure of an invention made by another; and

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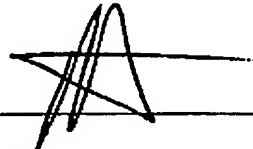
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7. All statements made herein are of my own knowledge and are believed by me to be true and correct, and further these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application for patent comment on herein.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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Blake W. Little